

FISCAL NOTE - CAPTION BILL

HB 402 - SB 678

February 27, 2003

CAPTION BILL: Fiscal not reflects amendment filed to lift bill from Senate Clerk's desk (#003918).

SUMMARY OF BILL:

- Requires the James H. Quillen College of Medicine at East Tennessee State University, Meharry Medical College, the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis, and Vanderbilt School of Medicine in cooperation with the Rural Health Association of Tennessee to develop guidelines for establishing a program aimed at reducing barriers to health care access in rural areas of Tennessee by increasing the number of physicians in those areas.
- Provides the program shall be based on the assumption that at least \$2,000,000 will be appropriated annually by the state, some of which may be obtained from federal funding, including the availability under Title XIX of the Social Security Act, and the program will include a placement program and stipends from such appropriations to those physicians who locate to those areas.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$2,000,000

Estimate assumes:

- a \$2,000,000 state appropriation to provide placement of physicians and stipends.
- while the bill provides that state appropriations can be offset by federal funding, in whole or in part, the availability of such funds cannot be determined. However, to the extent federal funds are used to replace state funds, the amount of state funding needed for this program will be reduced.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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